

NORTH CAROLINA

THE TAR HEEL TROOPS

Adjutant-General Makes a Gratifying Report on the State Guard.

NORTH WILKESBORO SUFFERS FROM FIRE

Old State Bonds Outstanding—Mrs. Watson a Hopeless Paralytic—Park Hotel Closed—Chicken Show at Asheville—Railroad Dividend Declared—Western Union Gains Time.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4.—(Special).—The report of Adjutant-General Cowles was completed to-day and is a gratifying one. It says the State Guard is in fine condition; during the year one company was disbanded; there were fewer resignations and discharges than ever before; nearly 100 applications for permission to organize companies are filed; the strength of the force is now 1,794, an increase of 153 during the year; the guard is in good condition as possible under the circumstances; annual encampments would, of course, increase its efficiency; the inspection of all departments by the Inspector-General is found to be an excellent plan; the appropriation by the State is only \$6,000, the smallest made by any State for the same number of men; the force is equipped for field service; the allowance is only \$150 a year to each company; the State does not expend a dollar for clothing, arming or equipping the guard, the Government doing all this.

John R. Smith, the new Commissioner of Agriculture, was in his office to-day. He says that the number of inquiries during the past two weeks for information relative to the State is reported to be the greatest ever known.

North Wilkesboro is the last place to suffer by fire, the loss being \$14,000 and insurance \$6,300. The fire losses of the State during the past year have not been large.

The Bank of Broad is bought by the Bank of Hendersonville and goes out of business.

The Treasurer says that during the past year less than \$5,000 of old State bonds came in for exchange. He says he thinks very few more bonds will ever outstanding.

Robert H. Brooks succeeds Captain Fuller as superintendent of the Soldiers' Home here. Four months ago, by a fall, Captain Fuller broke his thigh and is, therefore, incapacitated.

Her many sympathizers here learn with great regret that there is no hope of restoring to health Mrs. Albert Watson, who was shot by her murderous husband here, and who will always be a paralytic.

Work on the Capital Club building, which the Capital Club Company is doing, progresses slowly, owing to the cold weather.

The arrangement between the city and the State is that the latter will remove the massive iron fence around the Capitol Square and that the city will place it around the State House. The fence was made in Oatham county in 1851 by a man named Burns, and cost \$5,000.

The South Carolina teachers cannot meet with the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly this year, and hence decline the invitation to participate in the sale of them can be with the assembly one day.

There is a remarkable fight against Dr. John McBrayer, who wants to be postmaster at Shelby. It is alleged in affidavits that he is an atheist.

The lease of the Park Hotel here to the Yarbroughs is a number of years of the former at any time by the Park Lumber company of Aberdeen, the owners. It is expected that the Yarbroughs, while closing the Park to transients, will make it available when there are crowds of visitors.

The suicide of J. W. McNair, one of the leading business men of Laurinburg, is a source of great surprise and pain to his friends here. They know no reason for it.

The poultry show at Asheville is a big affair. The Banks Hotel, of Alamance county, has 700 chickens on view; Julian S. Carr, 250; Biltmore farm, 800.

Another long distance telephone line is to be built this time from Raleigh northward.

C. C. Fagan, the discharged assistant clerk of the Railway Commission, decided to make no fight in the courts for that place, but left for home to-day.

The directors of the North Carolina railway met here to-day. Dr. R. M. Norment presiding, and declared a 2 1/2 per cent dividend for the half year. The next half year dividend will be of 3 per cent.

Judge Purnell allows an appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals from his decision in the matter of the ownership of Smith's Island, at the mouth of the Cape Fear river.

Judge Simonson grants the Western Union Telegraph company until April in the United States Court, for the further presentation of its case against the lower rate ordered by the Railway

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Commission; this to be provided the company does not take the case from before the Federal Courts.

Edenton, N. C., Jan. 4.—(Special).—Mr. W. S. Pendleton has been spending a few days at Gatesville.

Mr. John Tooley and Mr. Frank Bond left yesterday for Beloit for a few days hunting.

Miss Baldwin, who has been assisting Mrs. Newman in the millinery department, left this morning for Baltimore, her home.

The families of Mr. H. E. Williams and Mr. D. D. Roper have returned home.

Miss Brown, of Gates county, is visiting the family of Mr. W. H. Harrell. After spending several days here with friends, Mr. W. H. Harrell and sister, Miss Rosie, left to-day for home.

Professor J. C. Kittrell and wife returned yesterday from Hertford, where they have been spending the holidays with relatives.

All the young ladies and gentlemen who attend school away from home, after spending the Christmas holidays at home with their parents, have returned to their respective places of learning.

The main dwelling over at Albemarle was partially destroyed by fire yesterday between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock.

Mr. Claude Harrell and son, of Norfolk, spent Sunday with Mr. W. H. Colfield and family.

Postmaster Brinkley was quite sick yesterday.

The Baptist Sunday school will give its scholars an entertainment at the Opera House Thursday night.

The Hon. William Bond, of Greenville, is in town this morning, also Mr. George W. Ripper, of Norfolk, and Mr. Edmund Alexander, of Plymouth, are in our little city to-day.

ELIZABETH CITY.

Elizabeth City, N. C., Jan. 4.—(Special).—There was an alarm of fire at 11:30 o'clock this morning, the scene of the blaze being the small store of a colored man in Polk street, adjoining the old Green House. The hook and ladder company put out the fire before much damage was done without the assistance of the fire company, who were present, however, in case their services should be required.

Mr. Louis Selig and children left to-day for a visit to relatives in Norfolk.

Superior Court convened yesterday immediately on the arrival of Judge Brown, who came on at 11:30 a. m. from Norfolk. He came to the grand jury was as usual.

Professor W. M. Hinton, principal of the public school, was last night for the benefit of the fire company, but the small size of the audience prevented it. It is no credit to the public of Elizabeth City that a man of Professor Hinton's known ability and an institution as deserving of patronage as the fire company should be treated in this manner.

HERTFORD.

Hertford, N. C., Jan. 4.—(Special).—Yesterday afternoon a fire originated in a house occupied by colored people on King street. The fire started in the upper story. It was discovered by a colored man named Forrest, who at once gave the alarm. A bucket brigade turned out in full force and the fire was put out before much damage was done.

The building is a two-story frame, and is in the most thickly settled district in town. It is evident that if the fire had not been discovered as soon as it was, Hertford would have had the largest conflagration it has had in many years.

Master Will Dennis Jackson met with a very serious accident this morning by getting his lip cut open while playing on the ice.

HALIFAX.

Halifax, N. C., Jan. 4.—(Special).—Miss Estelle Freney and Mr. Paul Cahoon, of Suffolk, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. O. G. Callahan.

Miss Burnett left Sunday for Rocky Mount after spending a few days very pleasantly with Miss McMahon.

Miss Johnson, of Scotland Neck, has returned to Halifax to take her position as governess for Mrs. Houston.

Miss Bessie Cooper, of Suffolk, left Monday for home after spending a week with Miss Kittle McManara.

Miss Bessie is a great favorite here and the "roads" will be lonely enough without her.

DIVIDING THE SPOILS.

(Philadelphia North American.)

Germany's forward movement in China, and Russia's renewed activity in the same field make it incumbent upon Great Britain to put her best foot forward, lest the best prizes get knocked down and carried off before she enters the competition. It is not at all to be wondered at that the British editors are frantically urging Salisbury to act if Russia and Germany, undisturbed, take all they want. England will be left in a ridiculous position right on the ground where she has long hoped for a much. The alarm having been sounded, however, the British will undoubtedly take part in this latest Klondike rush for spoils, and if complications do not ensue, it will be strange. The British are in a comfortable position to make off the claims they have their eyes upon. A British fleet, consisting of one battleship, nine cruisers, seven gunboats, four torpedo boat destroyers, three sloops, two receiving ships and one storeship, is already in Chinese waters. This is a fair nucleus for a big fleet to knock up Great Britain's position when the necessity arises, as it will before very long. It will be surprising if the home government does not hurry more ships into Chinese waters at once. The German fleet is making for the Orient under full steam, and the czar is losing no time. When the three meet there will be serious differences—the body is so great that the thieves will find it difficult not to fall out of the divide. If the break comes there will be a clash, and then there will be some excitement in Calcutta.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

ENCAMPED FOR A SIEGE BLADDER TROUBLES.

Virginia Republicans Prepared to Remain Until the Spoils Question Is Settled.

MAGNATES WENT TO SEE THE PRESIDENT

S. Brown Allen to Be Marshal of the Western District—Knock Down for Walker and Post-Cotton Exports from South Atlantic Ports—Bowden's Claims Recognized.

(Special Cor. of The Virginian.)

Washington, Jan. 4, 1898.

Room "35" Hotel Johnson is the headquarters of ex-Congressman Bowden. It is on the second floor front at the head of the elevator and most conveniently located for conferences.

The room is large and comfortably furnished, and has quite a number of chairs placed around it. It looks in the direction of the White House, whence the delegates look as if they come for the siege, be it long or short. He is in robust health.

Messrs. Brady and Waddill are located at the Ebbitt House, only a square from Mr. Bowden's hotel. Mr. Brady resides in Alexandria, but it is only a fifteen minute ride to the hotel. The Hotel Johnson is a motley crowd of Virginians, "Judge" Riley, of Accomack county, sabb, is most numerous, and is in a receptive mood. He will take any old thing that drops his way.

Mr. Norman L. Scott is the Warwick of the Virginia situation, and as Senator Hanna is in Ohio, it will be his province to be the go-between from the President to the Executive Committee, who expect to dole out the offices. Congressman Walker and Post are not here yet, but will be here to-morrow and will then see Mr. Scott. Mr. Bowden saw him to-day with Mr. Allen.

The defeat of Hanna in the preliminary battle in Ohio for the Senatorship has taken the interest out of everything here politically and sadness pervades all officials connected with the administration. They have little heart for even chopping off Democratic heads. Just now they would like to chop off a few Republican heads in Ohio. This feeling has interfered with the Virginia Republican committee in getting interviews with heads of departments, and further delay the distribution of offices. Many of the "boys in the trenches," who have been here frequently since March 4 last, are growing weary at the delay. This is the third regular invasion and something seems to happen each time to prevent them from leaving their toes at Uncle Sam's expense, and is real old, too.

Messrs. Ames, Bowden, Brady, Waddill and Allen, of the State Republican committee, met in the room of Commissioner of Internal Revenue Scott in the Treasury building this morning. They conferred for two hours and then, headed by Mr. Scott, all proceeded to the White House.

President McKinley received them in his private office and discussed Virginia appointments with them for half an hour. S. Brown Allen was agreed upon for marshal of the Western district. His name will be sent to the Senate Wednesday or Thursday. This is a defeat for Congressman Walker and Post. No decision was reached as to District Attorney, but the choices seem to be between Hoge and Gleason, though an entirely new man may be taken up.

General Grover is here still working for a consulship. Messrs. Burroughs and Larkin, candidates for postmaster at Portsmouth, are here.

Ex-Congressman Bowden is to continue his campaign in the Second Congressional district. This was demonstrated by his knocking out Dr. Wise. Up to the present time all changes made in fourth class postmasters in the Second district were concerned in jointly. They claimed over appointments of postmasters at Iver, Windsor station and Yorktown. Bowden won. Old postmaster at all three places were removed to-day and the new were appointed: Iver, W. E. Johnson; Windsor station, B. C. Roberts; Yorktown, A. P. Christian.

Statistics furnished by the Treasury Department show that exports of raw cotton were made as follows:

Newport News—November, 2,659 bales of 1,395,239 pounds, of the value of \$1,747,740 for the three months, 3,795 bales of 1,892,287 pounds, of the value of \$1,111,932.

Wilmington, N. C.—November, 58,467 bales of 29,238,458 pounds, of the value of \$1,799,592; for three months, 172,092 bales of 87,061,592 pounds, of the value of \$5,205,580.

Charleston, S. C.—November, 77,119 bales of 38,111,537 pounds, of the value of 25,479,953; for three months, 180,892 bales of 90,175,872 pounds, of the value of \$5,772,782.

Baltimore, S. C.—November, 6,428 bales of 3,214,000 pounds, of the value of \$192,687; for three months, 31,395 bales of 15,734,000 pounds, of the value of \$1,121,312.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Religious and Secret Societies Select Their New Boards.

Orient Lodge, Knights of Honor, has elected the following officers: Edward Church, dictator; J. W. Bassett, vice-dictator; E. H. King, assistant dictator; E. T. Thomas, reporter; J. D. Gale, financial reporter; H. A. Tarrall, treasurer; J. E. Ashley, chaplain; Henry Woodhouse, guide; Henry Lewis, quartermaster; J. E. Simpson, sentinel; Edward Church, J. W. Bassett, H. A. Tarrall, trustees.

The Sunday School of Freemason Street Church of Christ Disciples has elected the following officers: J. W. Ambrose, superintendent; R. W. Harbrough, assistant superintendent; J. H. Schlegel, secretary and treasurer; Willis Dey, librarian; Miss Edna Dey, pianist; Dr. R. H. Walker, chorister.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the same church has elected the following officers: H. C. Maxwell, president; Miss Emma East, vice-president; Miss Mamie Metcalf, secretary; E. T. Powell, treasurer; Miss Edna Dey, pianist.

St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter of Masons has elected the following officers to fill vacancies: B. A. Marsden, treasurer; George B. Jenkins, trustee.

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What Women Wear.

Phantasies with tall feathers no less than a yard in length are displayed among the millinery novelties, the tails being skillfully wound about the hat and mingled with velvet, tulle or some other trimming.

Larger stoles than were formerly worn are now used in fastening shirt waists of corduroy, velvet or flannel.

The jaunty girl wraps a length of four-inch wide cord edge satin ribbon twice about her throat and knots it carefully in front or at the side, securing it to her bodice with a stick pin.

The black veil is the well par excellence. It has a medium large lace collar, is well covered with small chenille dots and brings out the colors in a youthful face.

Devices for securing flowers to the bodice are made of gold and silver. They consist of a clasp, which holds the flowers, and a safety pin.

The newest scarfs of Liberty silk, show delicate cashmere printings, either in the border or the center. If in the border, the center is delicately tinted in some solid hue, and if in the center the border is plain.

A new sort of pressed velvet simulating shirtings and velvet sewed at intervals in narrow tucks are largely used in millinery, for draped crowns and other purposes. Of course they give the hat a somewhat heavy, overburdened appearance, but this is rather characteristic of winter millinery.

The owl looks widely down from her nest of velvet or silk on many a modish winter hat.

Liberty ties of purest white silk with hemstitched ends are the rivals of the sheer lace-trimmed neckerchiefs.

The cause of felt-hat-bores and soft felt are moulded by velvet, medallions into all sorts of becoming hat shapes and trimmed with birds of feathers and velvet, the steel or jeweled ornament being, of course, never absent.

From the Delinquent.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was rightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous skin remedy. J. M. Trotter and B. L. Walker, Norfolk, and Trull & Smith, Berkeley.

BURNING IN A LOG.

Mr. Smith Says There is Confusion About a Georgia Matter in Virginia. (Savannah News.)

There are some parties in Virginia who have evidently gotten hold of the idea that something is going wrong in Georgia. The following letter has been received at the County Commissioners' office:

Center Cross, Va., Dec. 13, 1897. Clerk of County, Savannah, Ga.:

My Dear Sir:—It's some confusion concerning a map in your State having in a log. Say he was gambling and cursed God, he is burning and has been for several months. Will you be so kind as to answer this. You will find enclosed a two-cent stamp. So doing will greatly oblige yours very truly,

W. T. SMITH.

The Commissioners have not yet called a special meeting to consider a reply to the communication, but such may be done. Mr. Smith has evidently heard something of the story sent out some time ago to the effect that a negro preacher in South Carolina told his flock that a man was being burned up in Georgia for having committed certain sins. That is about the only foundation there is for the story so far, and the confusion in Mr. Smith's ballistics may be due to that. Mr. Smith, however, is on the wrong track; Georgia is not the State.

A beech tree twelve feet in height is growing on the tower of the church at Fishoft, Lincolnshire, England.

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Of the new seat of learning which is to be shortly established by the Xaverian Brothers at Old Point Comfort, yesterday's Baltimore American says: "The college, the day school of which will be opened on February 1st, will be situated in a beautiful locality. The following description of the property and surrounding country, and the plans for the buildings, is furnished by the Xaverian Brothers:

"The site of the college is on the border of a quiet cove, known in the locality as Mill Creek. In the distance loom up the celebrated hotels or the Chamberlain and the Hygeia, and nearly opposite the inlet from the great guns of historic Fortress Monroe. The spot is ideal—it stands unrivaled as a health and pleasure resort, being practically surrounded by water. With the advent of settled weather, ground will be broken for the initial building of the series of elegant structures that, in the near future, will be comprised in Old Point Comfort College. The plans of architects are ready and the contracts for the construction have been awarded.

"Several members of the Xaverian congregation have taken possession for the present, and live in the old home of General Reynolds, from whom the property was purchased.

"At the request of many of the people living at Hampton, Phoebus, and Old Point, steps have been taken to open a day school on the first Monday of February. For this purpose school furniture has been ordered and some of the spacious quarters in the famous old mansion have been fitted out as class rooms.

"After another building, now being erected, is completed, which will be before next September, boarders will be received.

"In the basement, which will be as high as the modern first story, will be the kitchen, dining hall and recreation hall.

"The center building will be occupied by the faculty. It will also embrace reception rooms, library, room for physical apparatus, private rooms for visitors, etc.

"The two wings are designed for class rooms, study halls and dormitories. They will be equipped with every appliance that the preservation and maintenance of good health demands, and experience approves.

"It is proposed to erect in the near future, and apart from the college proper, a building for divine service. A special building will also be constructed for a gymnasium and it will have every requisite, exercise and healthful enjoyment.

"The residence of General Reynolds, some two hundred yards to the left, will be occupied by the Xaverian Brothers who have occasion to seek the healthful locality for needed rest and recuperation.

"During the heat of summer the college and old residence will be occupied by the younger members of the Xaverian congregation, for whom will be established a summer school.

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